

7 June 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting of 6 June 1962 Concerning the Situation  
of Jews in Russia

1. On 6 June a meeting was held in the Director's conference room with Senator Homer Capehart who was accompanied by Mr. Moses I. Feuerstein, Dr. Rabbi Samson R. Weiss and Mr. Z. Wolfson, the President, Vice President and Director of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America. Mr. Kirkpatrick, Executive Director, presided. Agency representatives in attend-

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2. Mr. Feuerstein and his party had several plans and programs in mind for assisting their coreligionists behind the Iron Curtain and desired advice and counsel concerning both feasibility and methodology to be employed, in such programs. They were advised that this Agency could not operate directly with them but that we would be pleased to counsel them in major aspects and to provide such information as might be readily available in furtherance of their objectives.

3. In summary it was agreed that any information provided or assistance given by the Agency would not be attributed to the Agency in any fashion. The practical as well as the policy reasons for such a determination are obvious. [ ] was designated as the point of contact within the Agency and any information furnished is to be transmitted through Senator Capehart's office.

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4. As a preliminary matter the names of those who appear to be coreligionists who have been executed within the last year and can be documented from overt sources will be provided, together with listings of overt source materials as they might become available. To assist in the formulation of a letter-writing campaign

a suggested list of some 25 or so prominent individuals in the arts, literature, sports, chess, scientific field and so forth will be drawn up. Senator Capehart, for his part, will transmit materials to Mr. Feuerstein and will insert in the Congressional Record such items as may be desired.



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